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Elder Young was born December 7, 1883, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Seymour B. Young and Elizabeth Riter Young, early Utah pioneers. Following graduation from the University of Utah in 1905, he was called as a missionary for the Church to Great Britain. He served in England until 1906 when he was called to the Swiss-German mission of the Church. He laboured in this mission until 1908.

Upon his return from Europe, he entered business in American Fork, Utah, and from 1911 to 1913 served as manager of a farm machinery company. In 1913 he was named cashier of the Peoples State Bank of American Fork, and he filled this position until 1943 when he was made president of the bank, a position which he occupies at the present time.

For some years he served as a member of the City Council of American Fork, Utah, and from 1929 until 1934 was a member of the Utah State Senate.

He worked in local capacities in the Church until 1928 when he was named president of the Alpine Stake of the Church which position he held until called to the position he holds at the present time.

He is married and is the father of four living children.

"We are only strong, we're only powerful and influential insofar as we live the things that God has revealed for us, his children. We are only a great people as we cling to those concepts that were revealed for our benefit and blessing."

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CHURCH OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY. — Throughout the Church this month the 127th anniversary of the Restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood will be commemorated. The Prophet Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery received the Aaronic Priesthood at Harmony, Pennsylvania, May 15, 1829, under the hands of John the Baptist.

SETS CONGO EXPLORATION. Elder John M. Goddard, the well known Mormon explorer and his companion, Jack Yowell of Nairobi, are en-route to Africa, where they will attempt to become the first men ever to travel the length of the entire Congo River system. They will start just below Lake Tanganika at the head waters of the Chambezi, then go to the Luapula, the Luvua, the Lualaba and finally, the Congo proper. Part of the area they will cover was made famous by David Livingstone and Henry Morton Stanley.

For their Congo trip, Elder Goddard and Mr. Yowell will use two 15-foot kayaks weighing 60 pounds each.

Elder Goddard has taken many expeditions, most widely heralded of which was his trip traversing the entire length of the Nile River in 1950-51.

He has fulfilled a mission in the Northern States and now resides in Glendale, California.

ARCHITECT OFF FOR WORK ON LONDON TEMPLE. Elder Edward O. Anderson, temple architect for the Church left Thursday for London, England, where he will direct the building of the British Temple. All preliminary details have been worked out now, he said, and all is in readiness to proceed with the new edifice.

The new temple—the second to be erected in Europe—will be built on a beautiful site in Newchapel, Surrey, England, about 25 miles south of London.

The new building will be contracted and it is expected that it will be finished in two and one-half years.

Elder Anderson explained that it will be similar to the Swiss Temple, the second floor being the same but with minor changes on the first floor.

Elder Anderson designed both the Swiss and British temples as well as the Los Angeles Temple which was recently dedicated. He also was architect for the New Zealand Temple, which is well on the way to completion.

MIA YOUTH SINGS.—The annual music festival, held in connection with the annual MIA June Conference will be held on Friday and Saturday, June 15 and 16, at 8.30 p.m. in the Tabernacle. From more than 6,000 applicants 2,000 youthful singers have been selected to appear.

It has been estimated by the MIA Music Committee that more than 20,000 singers from the 2,000 wards of the Church have participated or will participate in the combined speech-music festivals.

The spirit of the great choral movement has reached across the expanses of water to the West German Mission where the MIA will present its festival in July in a concert in Wiesbaden, Kurhaus (the same hall in which the famed Tabernacle Choir performed last summer during its European tour).

In some instances following the festival rehearsals grateful youths have stood and borne their testimonies expressing appreciation for their leaders and association with the many fine friends they had met and their joy of living the Gospel.

For some of the festivals, in Canada for instance, stake mem-

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Meeting the CHALLENGE

By Clifford E. Young

Address delivered at the Friday afternoon session of the 119th semi-annual general conference, October 1, 1948, in the Tabernacle

I approach this task, my brothers and sisters, with a good deal of misgiving, and I trust I may have an interest in your faith and prayers the few minutes that I occupy. It seems to me we have had thus far an unusual outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The counsel and advice that we have received and the fundamental teachings that have been given certainly should give us cause for serious reflection, and we should go to our homes encouraged in the thought that we are engaged in the work of the Lord.

Some time ago I was reading of the laying of the cable from England to India, which, it is said cost so much effort and sacrifice and heartache because of the encountering of so many obstacles and difficulties incident to the frequent breaking of the cable. Finally it was completed and to commemorate this great achievement a celebration was held in London. John Ruskin was asked to speak, and in the course of his remarks he is said to have made this striking observation:

"I am not concerned about the mechanics of this which we are here celebrating; the all-important thing is the message that will be transmitted over this cable."

As I thought of that and applied it to the stirring messages we have thus far received in this conference, the message of eternal truth, I thought that after all it is the message that is giving this work its great vitality.

Since our last conference it has been my great privilege to visit and tour two of our missions. This has brought me in close contact, not only with the mission presidents but with the missionaries themselves, and I have been tremendously impressed with the integrity of our missionary service, with the young boys and girls who are called to this activity of the Church. I thought, where could one find its equal? Here we have a cross section of our youth, boys and girls who are not called because of their scholastic training; they have not been trained in the refinement of the ministry, nor have they had seminary training, as this is understood outside of our Church. They are called from the farms, the workshops, and from the schools; called to a service which is quite new to them, yet they enter into this new work with a spirit and energy which is most impressive and inspiring.

Back of all this, I repeat, is not their training but the great message of eternal truth which they have to give to the world. If one needed additional evidence of the ultimate destiny of this work, he need but reflect on the great missionary system of the Church to which President Smith has referred, and the splendid work being done by these missionaries. Few there are that fail, very few indeed. Most of them make good, and they come through with an abiding testimony of the divine mission of the Prophet Joseph, the divine mission of Jesus, our Saviour, that he is the Christ, that God lives and hears and answers our prayers. It is one of the most heartening experiences of one's life to sit in a testimony meeting of these missionaries and feel the intensity of their spirit and faith, and their devotion to this work. It is the testimony we feel, these unseen things, these hidden assets, if we may so call them, that give such force to this work.

Then too, I want to pay my humble tribute to these mission presidents and their wives. They, too, are called from all walks of life. They are asked to give up their vocations, many of them of a lucrative nature, and yet they never waver; nor do their wives. It is not an easy task to break those home ties that have been established perhaps for a quarter of a century or more and to leave home to go into the mission field to devote three or four years of one's time and service to this great work. Yet these men and women do just that, and it is certainly gratifying to note the lovely spirit they have, the interest they take in your boys and girls, the personal interviews they

have with them, the help they give them. Some of the boys and girls come poorly prepared for missionary service, and yet through the kindness and generosity of these splendid men and women they are brought into line, not in unkindness, but in the spirit of love and sympathy and understanding, and they are thus able to adjust themselves, and they come through successfully. One young man that I have in mind, a man who comes from an excellent family, and thousands of them are so situated, a boy who gives real promise to his parents, had been in the mission field for twenty-three months. The school year was beginning. He had the opportunity to go to college, and when his mission president approached him to see if it would be helpful to him, knowing of his ambition to go to school, if he were released in the twenty-three months so that he could enter college, the boy replied, "No, I want to finish out my mission. That's the important thing to me." It is a lovely spirit, and this is reflected, my brethren and sisters, by these missionaries, these boys and girls of yours, and you may be proud of and grateful to the Lord, for them.

Now, there is another phase that has been touched on in this conference that I would like to speak about for a few minutes that involves, too, our young people. I had the privilege of attending a sacrament meeting in this city during the summer vacation. To attend this meeting I came up from my home in Utah County with my daughter, and as we were riding along Sunday afternoon we passed a ball park. Two games were being played, one in one end and the other in the other end of the park, and there were hundreds of people there and a large number of boys and girls witnessing these games. My daughter remarked: "Dad, just what harm is there to these boys and girls in watching this sport? Isn't there a rather wholesome influence about it? They're doing no harm here Sunday afternoon; aren't they better here than they would be some other places?" I was rather challenged. These questions are always a challenge. I didn't say anything. We rode along. We had a lovely meeting. The spirit of it was so impressive; it was reflected in the music, the administering of the sacrament as it should be, and in very deed we were made to feel that we were remembering the Lord, that we were renewing our covenants, taking upon ourselves again his holy name, being made to feel that he is near, and when the meeting was over, we felt that we wanted to keep his commandments.

After meeting, we rode home. My daughter's reaction was heartening. "Dad," she said, "I know the answer now. I know the harm. I know the danger. If this thing is permitted to go on, boys and girls will lose their desire for the lovely thing that we have had tonight, and something will be taken out of their lives that they can't recover." She continued, "If men and women and boys and girls could just realize what it means to be spiritually fed on the Sabbath day, many of our problems of keeping this day holy would be solved." Well, I thank the Lord for that faith. I thank the Lord for that inspiration because it inspired me. I know it isn't an easy thing to say to boys and girls and to our children that they must not do this or that. We should, if possible, find some answer, some solution to these problems.

I commend to you a method that has been adopted in one of our stakes. Baseball on Sunday became a challenge. The stake presidency took the problem in hand and by contacting those who were on the committee to provide this athletic activity the way was opened whereby the games could be played on a week night. Flood lights were provided, and the men who had it in charge felt good about it. They are our own people. They are Latter-day Saints. They are not very active, but they are not unsympathetic, and I thought to myself if we could approach understandingly some of these important problems perhaps we could find a solution by sitting down around a table and together working them out. I know these problems are not easy to solve, but I do know that if we can make our young people feel the strength of our message, if we can make them feel this hidden something that gives strength and power to these boys and girls who I said are not so well trained but who have testimony and faith, if our children can be made to feel the strength and power that comes from the spirit of our Heavenly Father and from serving him, and from keeping his commandments, many of our problems will be solved. None of us know, as I have said many times, all the answers, but we do know that there is a spiritual force in this great work. I would that we could translate it into the lives of our people, that we could make them all feel as you and I feel, in this house of worship this day, that divine presence, to make them feel resolved in their hearts as we feel resolved in ours, that as for us we will try to serve the Lord and to keep his commandments. May God help us so to do, I pray, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Orchids for SOUTH AFRICA

By SISTER PHYLLIS M. JOHNSON

An Orchid was presented to the South African Mission and also four stakes in "The Instructor Reporter" for the highest percentage increase in Instructor subscriptions during the month of April. We are proud to pass this honorary mention on to you with our thanks for your diligent efforts to support us in our recent Instructor campaign.

As you know during the months of October, November and December we were engaged in an intensive campaign to place THE INSTRUCTOR in the hands of every Sunday School officer and teacher in the South African Mission. Our efforts were greatly rewarded for within three months our standing among the other missions of the Church increased from 20th place to 10th place. During the following months our number of subscriptions continued to increase until at present we are 6th place with 80% of our officers and teachers subscribing to the Instructor. If we continue in our efforts to avail ourselves of this "indispensable teaching tool" our goal of 100% will soon be reached.

Along with the Sunday School workers another Orchid should be given to the faithful M.I.A. leaders in South Africa. They, too, received a note of Congratulation and are deserving of an Orchid. This congratulatory message was written in The M.I.A. Stake Leader, a Church bulletin issued by the General Boards of M.I.A. for Stake and Mission Leaders. South Africa was one of four foreign missions mentioned for outstanding M.I.A. reports. At the time of that writing all but one of our branches with an M.I.A. organizaton were reporting. In the two months since, all have reported. We wish especially to commend you for attainng 100% of the M.I.A.'s reporting and encourage you to continue this good work in the future.

A general improvement and growth in the Auxiliares of the Mission is evident as shown by the reports and records we are receiving, but even more important by the love and unity expressed among the officers and teachers. This unity cannot be over-emphasized. As stated by President McKay: "In branches and wards, there is no virtue more conducive to progress and spirituality than the presence of this principle—unity . . . The Church is little, if at all, injured by persecution and calumnies from ignorant, misinformed, or malicious enemies: a greater hindrance to its progress comes from faultfinders, shirkers, commandment breakers, and apostate cliques within its own ecclesiastical and quorum groups."

Greater unity was the appeal of our Lord in His intercessory prayer when he prayed, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." (John 17 : 21.) Let us keep this prayer in mind not only as we work together within the Auxiliares but also as we work one Auxiliary with another.

This unity is more easily accomplished if each officer and teacher knows and accepts his individual responsibilities. Periodical review of both the Sunday School Handbook and M.I.A. Executive Manuals is suggested. It is particularly recommended that the M.I.A. Officers and Teachers *frequently* review their Executive Manuals. Organized individual study, with a short review presented at the Monthly Officers' and Teachers' Meeting, has been found to be very effective. As each officer and teacher increases in understanding of his responsibilities and his relationship to the complete organization, greater unity, efficiency and enthusiasm will develop.

May the Saviour's prayer for unity be realized in our homes, our branches, and throughout this Mission.

THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD

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bers have travelled as far as 150 or more miles to be "anxiously engaged in carrying out the outlined programme of the MIA".

Leaders also note the improvements in reverence in the chapels since the reverence programme has been emphasized through the influence of appropriate music.

A number of stakes also report some inactive girls and boys having been rejuvenated to activity through the music programme this year.

THE RIGHT DECISION

by Sister Joyce Morison

I am grateful for the opportunity to tell of the blessings that I have received from our Heavenly Father since the Missionaries came to my home. I cannot convey the beauty of it through the medium of words, for they are far too inadequate, and seem to be luke-warm in expressing it. However, I will endeavour to relate the story of my conversion to "Mormonism."

I, like many other people who before they knew about the Restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, had no conception of the beautiful way of life the Gospel promises, upon obedience to its laws and ordinances.

During my life I had in no way benifited mankind. In fact, I was a hopelessly lost sinner; full of my own self importance; falling in and out of love several times; smoking to such an extent that my health was bad; and drinking a little more than was wise. I was scared stiff of dying and tired to death of living, yet I was urged on in the hope of the rosy future the cards foretold for me, since I used to read fortunes.

Frequent visits from the minister of the church I belonged to—although never attended—had no impression on me whatsoever. In fact, I took pride in denouncing the hypocrisy of the members, ministers, and even that of my own family; pulling the mote out of their eyes when I could not see the beam in mine.

This is a short story of my "existence". "Life" didn't really begin for me until I met the Mormon Missionaries. They taught me the truth about God and man's relationship to Him. They bore sincere testimonies that Jesus Christ had personally revealed Himself to a modern day prophet and restored His Church to the earth through this prophet. They explained the Book of Mormon to me and I started reading it. To my amazement the Book was interesting and it helped me to understand the Bible for the first time. Nevertheless, the doctrines the Book propounded, frightened me because of their simplicity and left me without excuse to rationalize. I became more fearful when I read 3 Nephi 21 : 16: "And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thy land, and thou shalt have no more

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soothsayers." There is an old saying which goes: "If the shoe fits, wear it." I felt this prophecy was directed solely at fortune tellers, so without delay I destroyed my cards.

As time went on my knowledge of the scriptures increased and as a result I asked the missionaries many questions, trying to discover if they were the false prophets and the wolves in sheep's clothing that the Bible warns us against. Their answers were simple, reasonable and scriptural, all of which contributed to the beauty of their message and the truthfulness of the Gospel they bore.

By this time I was feeling extremely proud of myself; I was a better person already—at least I thought so. I felt that I had been rewarded for my efforts. I possessed a feeling of satisfaction; of contentment; a feeling that you get when you have done something that you know is right. Not a feeling that brings sorrow or remorse of conscience, but one that makes you want to continue doing things that are good.

The missionaries made many return visits and on one occasion explained the Word of Wisdom—God's law of health for His people in these days. They explained that our bodies are the temple of God and that we must keep them clean for His Spirit will not dwell in unclean tabernacles. I was taught that it is dis-

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Priesthood and Its Responsibilities

(A Message from the Elders' Quorum)

The definition of Priesthood has been stated and re-stated again and again, and should be well known to all who have been ordained, irrespective to what office. Sometimes repetition tends to make things, most dear to us, somewhat commonplace, and thereby detracts from their importance and meaning. Nevertheless, somethings bear repeating to the extent of increasing their real value, and the PRIESTHOOD AND ITS RESPONSIBILITIES falls into this category. We can all recall to mind something that has lost some of its meaning because it has become habit, and this danger becomes apparent in some of our church duties. Conversely by doing something over and over again, it becomes easier to accomplish, not that the nature of the thing changes, but rather because our ability to do, increases.

Let us as members of the Quorum searchingly ask ourselves, "Do our lives measure up to the Standards of Authority bestowed upon us as representatives of God here upon the earth?" Our responsibility is to keep faithfully the trust that has been imposed in us to watch over His vineyard. The mere fact of being ordained to the Priesthood will not guarantee any soul the Celestial Glory. Let us recall the slothful watchmen in the Parable of the Vineyard in Doctrine and Covenants 101: 44-54, who spent their time in discussing the Whys and Wherefores, instead of being obedient to instructions and obeying commandments, thereby magnifying their callings.

Members of the Church for one reason or another stray away from the fold, and perhaps, because of our neglect or indifference become lost. Someone may be wandering today because of an idle word or careless remark by a Priesthood holder. We cannot continually mark time as members of the Quorum of Elders, and not be anxiously engaged in the Good Cause, without suffering the loss of Spirituality and the eventual loss of the sweet spirit of the Gospel, and the Authority to act in His name.

If fully awakened to the requirements and responsibility placed on us, we as members of the Quorum, working in harmony and purpose, would be a powerful influence for good in this country. Such an influence would be of great worth in assisting in the building up of the Kingdom of God here upon the earth. The spiritual condition of man is determined by the degree to which he honours the Priesthood, and the prosperity and advancement of the Church is measured in terms of the activities of its Priesthood bearers.

At the conclusion of the Revelation on Priesthood received by the Prophet Joseph Smith and recorded in the Doctrine and Covenants 107: 99-100, we read: "Wherefore now let every man learn his duty, and to act in the office in which he is appointed, in all diligence. He that is slothful shall not be counted worthy to stand, and he that learns not his duty and shows himself not approved shall not be worthy to stand. Even So. Amen."

The Prophet Joseph Smith once said: "In all your sufferings, trials, and tribulations be careful you do not betray your God—your Priesthood."

Brethren take courage from the admonition contained in the 15th to 18th verses of Section 27 in the Doctrine and Covenants.

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pleasing in the sight of God to take tea, coffee, alcohol and other unnatural stimulants into the body.

I guess all the enthusiasm and righteous desires I had, ceased when the missionaries included tobacco as one of the prohibitions of this law of health. I was standing at the threshold of decision. The accomplishments, development, and progress I had made and most of all my future happiness would be determined by my decision.

I had tried several times before to quit smoking but had never been able to. During a time when one of my children was seriously ill, I had made a promise with God that if He would heal her I would quit smoking. I wasn't able to keep that promise and a few days after when I was cleaning my house I picked up my daughter's Bible. The pages fell open to the book of Ecclesiastes, chapter 5. As though there were only two verses written on that page my eyes were directed to verses four and five: "When thou vowest a vow unto God,

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President Clark's Conference Address

Materialistic World

Due To Refusal To Accept Savior

Full text of an address delivered by President J. Reuben Clark Jr., Saturday morning, April 7, 1956, at the third session of the 126th Annual Conference of the Church in the Tabernacle on Temple Square.

My brothers and sisters, it is with deep humility that I rise this morning to say something to you. As always I trust that you will add your prayers to mine that what I say may be of some value to us. Without the help of the Lord we stand as but weak mortals, not able to do too much to the advancement of His Cause.

I would like to begin by expressing my gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the devotion, the loyality, and the great service of thousands of our Latter-day Saints. There is no sacrifice which they will not make. They stand as ready to do the bidding of the Spirit as manifested through the Presiding Authorities of the Church as did the early Saints even in the time of the Saviour and thereafter and the early Saints in the beginning and the opening of this Last Dispensation of the Fullness of Times. I am grateful to you for that. I appreciate that without that loyalty and that devotion the work of the Lord would drag and we should not do the things that he desires that we should do. Thank you for your devotion, your loyalty, your service.

It is a trite expression that we live in an age of materialism, a materialism which has enthroned worldly things and in a materialism that has cast a shadow even over our spirituality. As I see it, one of the great reasons for this is the shadow which we have cast over Jesus as the Christ. Even some of our great sectarian churches, like ourselves, sons of our Heavenly Father, are forsaking him. They are making of him, as I have often said, a great teacher, a great philosopher, a great character, where they do not question that, but they deny to him that he was and is the Christ.

Personality of Christ

Of all of the innumerable testimonies regarding his personality, I should like to call your attention only to two or three. The first is the great prayer which he offered on the night before his crucifixion, after they had left the chamber and gone out to the Mount of Olives, that great prayer: "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." And the testimony of Peter before the Sanhedrin, when challenged as to the name by which he had performed the miracle at the Gate Beautiful of the Temple, he replied: "by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth . . . for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4: 10-12.)

And that testimony embodied in that great declaration of the Father himself to Moses, because it is the epitome, the summary of the Gospel of Jesus Christ: "For behold, this is my work and my glory—to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man."

There has been an apostasy from that knowledge of the Christ. You know, the more I contemplate the life of the Saviour, the more I am impressed, the more I come to value his lowliness, born in the home of a lowly carpenter, not in the halls of the great, not in the palaces of national rulers, but with royal blood in his mortal veins. I am impressed with the observation which he made to a man who came seeking to follow him, to go with him, and he said to the man, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head." (Matt. 8 : 20.)

He was indifferent, so indifferent to the worldly things. His mind was fixed quite otherwise. The very temptation that came to him from Satan, when Satan offered him all the kingdoms of the world if he would merely bow down and worship him, offered him all the power that could be bestowed through human hands; but he cast that aside.

I recall how after he fed the multitude of five thousand, they would have taken him and made him king, but he thrust that aside also. Worldly power had no allurement. Worldly power was not for him.

What Is Truth?

I recall that as he stood before Pilate, Pilate's first question was political. "Art thou the King of the Jews?" And finally he said to Pilate, who six times tried to get the Jews to release Jesus—he finally said to Pilate, "My kingdom is not of this world," and that his mission was to establish truth. He that poor, perplexed Pilate queried, "What is truth?"

I have in mind the things which he did, the miracles which he performed. There were only three occasions, I believe, when he undertook specifically to provide food for the multitudes or for anyone. The first was the feeding of the five thousand on the Mount, the second was the feeding of the four thousand on the plain, and the third was that beautiful incident on the Lake of Galilee after he was resurrected, when as the fishermen, the Apostles who had turned again to fishing, drew near the shore their nets empty, he, the resurrected Christ, stood on the shore with coals of fire and fish and bread prepared for eating.

I recall but one instance where in fact he furnished money, and I am not sure of another incident somewhat similar to it. I refer to the time when he lacked money for taxes and he sent Peter down to secure it from the mouth of a fish. He was not providing money to those with whom he worked. The other incident where money was involved directly for him, was when he was asked if taxes should be paid to Caesar and he, taking a coin and showing the image thereon, said, "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's."

Obey The Commandments

As to wealth: you will remember how the rich young ruler came to him and asked what he should do. The Saviour told him to live the commandments. And then he said, "Master, all these have I observed from my youth." Then said the Master, "Sell that thou hast, and give to the poor . . . and follow me." And the rich young man turned away. He wanted all of the spiritual blessings which God could bestow, but at the same time he wanted to retain his wealth.

John's disciples came questioning. "Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

"And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see:

The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them." (Matt. 11:2-6.) That is the work of the Saviour.

On another occasion he said unto another, "Follow me," but the other said, "Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father." Jesus said unto him, "Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God." (Luke 9:60.)

"And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

"And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." (Luke 9: 60-62.)

'Come Unto Me'

Much more along this line might be said, but I want to call your attention to his formula, the principle which guided him, and how beautiful it is and how it lets all of us who are poor come to him and how it promises to us his spirit. He said in the closing of the incident that was connected with the coming of the disciples, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Matt. 11:28.)

I thank the Relief Society for their song.

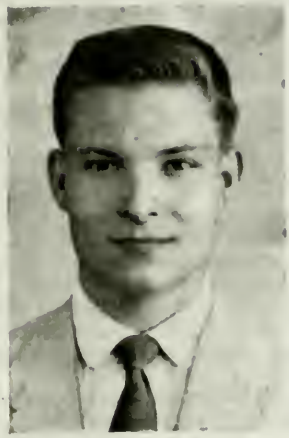
"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matt. 11:29-30.)

His Gospel can be lived, can be enjoyed by the poorest of us, the poorest of us may enjoy the blessings of the Gospel, the blessings of the Priesthood which accompany it. We need neither worldly position nor wealth in order to enjoy all that he has to give. His is the salvation and exaltation if we follow him, of all of us. There is nothing requiring more than a broken heart and a contrite spirit, and all that flows therefrom.

May the Lord give us the power so to live that we may have the blessings which he has promised, may he give us, to each of us, the broken heart and the contrite spirit, may we turn to Jesus the Christ, the Author of our salvation, our Elder Brother, may we worship him in spirit, and in truth, may we approach our Heavenly Father through him, that his blessings may be ours, I humbly pray, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

DEPARTURES



ELDER CLYDE MILLER

ELDER ROYAL JENSEN

ELDER PAUL SMITH

Elder Clyde A. Miller of Sandy, Utah, was honourably released May 23, 1956. He served in the Pretoria, West Rand, Natal, and Port Elizabeth Districts.

Elder Royal Duane Jensen of Malad, Idaho, was honourably released May 11, 1956. He served in the Cape, Salisbury, Bulawayo, East Rand, West Rand, Natal Districts and in the Mission Office.

Elder Paul M. Smith of Tremonton, Utah, was honourably released May 23, 1956. He served in the Natal, East and West Rand Districts.

ARRIVALS

Elders Layne Harding Atwood, George Betts Lyons, Edwin Cordell Orr and **Theron Cleon Wright** arrived aboard the "Capetown Castle" on May 17, 1956. Elder Atwood comes from Bow Island, Alberta, Canada, and has been assigned to labour in the Cape District with Elder Ronald P. Duncan. Elder Lyons comes from Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, and has been assigned to labour in the Natal District with Elder Elmer E. Wilford. Elder Orr comes from Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, and has been assigned to labour in the Cape District with Elder Bruce G. Erickson. Elder Wright comes from Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and has been assigned to labour in the Natal District with Elder Leslie Ray Smith.

TRANSFERS

Name	From	To	Date
Elder Kay H. Salmon	Cape	Salisbury	April 10, 1956
Elder Reed C. Snow	West Rand	Pretoria	April 17, 1956
Elder Harold D. Boucher	East Rand	Welkom	April 24, 1956
Elder Leslie Ray Smith	Welkom	Natal	April 24, 1956
Elder Ellis Ray Peterson	Natal	Mission Office	April 30, 1956
Elder Kenneth G. Furgason	West Rand	West Rand	May 1, 1956
Elder Dan L. Chipman	Cape	Natal	May 1, 1956
Elder Irvin K. Burbank	Cape	Natal	May 11, 1956
Elder Samuel P. Robison	Bulawayo	Bulawayo	May 12, 1956
Elder Don W. Merrill	Natal	Mission Office	May 12, 1956
Elder Gerald L. Henderson	Northern Rhodesia	Port Elizabeth	May 18, 1956
Elder H. George Frederickson	West Rand	Northern Rhodesia	May 18, 1956
Elder Ronald L. Hadley	Pretoria	West Rand	May 31, 1956

STATISTICS

BAPTISMS AND CONFIRMATIONS

WASSERFALL, Alma Aletta Vincent (Durban)—b. Grant D. Beazer and c. Norris T. Jackson, April 19, 1956.

PIERCEY, Douglas Dudley (Bellville)—b. Nicholaas J. Goosen and c. Ronald P. Duncan, April 29, 1956.

HENWOOD, Georgina Margaret Rose (Bulawayo)—b. Samuel P. Robison and c. Kelvin L. Hadfield, May 6, 1956.

SHELVER, Elaine (Mowbray)—b. Alfred Shelver and c. Bruce G. Erickson, April 29, 1956.

HARRIS, Keith Allen (Mowbray)—b. Alfred Shelver and c. Noel Storey, April 29, 1956.

OTTO, Barbara Maureen Lance (Ramah)—b. Kelvin M. Smith and c. Stanley R. Jones, May 6, 1956.

JOHNSON, Evelene Jackson (Springs) — b. Richard R. Olson and c. Richard R. Olson, May 6, 1956.

ELS, Anna Sophia Van Dalen (Springs)—b. Farrell Z. Kump and c. Paul M. Smith, May 6, 1956.

DAUBERMANN, Anna Maria Engenitha Venter (Krugersdorp)—b. Boyd R. Blackham and c. Nunham Stanford, May 6, 1956.

HEWITT, Yolande Enid Ablett (Benoni)—b. Gene B. Welling and c. Arthur W. Hamilton, May 6, 1956.

SMITH, Edith (Ramah)—b. Paul M. Smith and c. Paul M. Smith, May 6, 1956.

DAUBERMANN, Vera Cathleen (Krugersdorp)—b. Boyd R. Blackham and c. Nunham Stanford, May 6, 1956.

VAN NIEKERK, Stephanos Ignatios (Ramah)—b. Paul M. Smith and c. James H. Bean, May 6, 1956.

ELS, Girk Jacobus (Springs)—b. Farrell Z. Kump and c. Paul M. Smith, May 6, 1956.

DAVIES, Dawn Owen (Ramah)—b. Melvin Kenneth Muir and c. Norman G. Muir, May 6. 1956.

MOODIE, Walter Edward (Ramah)—b. Ellis R. Peterson and c. Paul M. Smith, May 6, 1956.

STEYN, Margaret Ann (Ramah)—b. Paul M. Smith and c. Kenneth Sutherland, May 6, 1956.

MORISON, Jean Joycelyn (Ramah)—b. Ellis R. Peterson and c. James H. Bean, May 6, 1956.

JOHNSON, Gene Allen (Springs)—b. Henri de C. Hugo and c. Henri de C. Hugo, May 6, 1956.

MORISON, William Archibald (Ramah)—b. Ellis Ray Peterson and c. Merlin D. Caldwell, May 6, 1956.

ORDINATIONS

RUSTON, Victor James (Mowbray)—Priest—by Ernest D. Hubbard, April 17, 1956.

PARKIN, Herbert Daniel (Welkom)—Deacon—by Leslie Ray Smith, April 16, 1956.

DELL, Gordon Ross (Welkom)—Priest—by Farrell Ray Monson, April 16, 1956.

ROBINSON, Andrew Woodside (Welkom)—Deacon—by Hugh D. Campbell, April 16, 1956.

HULBERT, Douglas (Springs) — Teacher — by Richard R. Olson, April 22, 1956.

FRANCE-BROTHERTON, Joseph Henry (Pretoria)—Elder—by Norman G. Muir, April 15, 1956.

VAN NIEKERK, Nelson Cornelius Valentino (Springs)—Priest—by Henri de C. Hugo, April 29, 1956.

FABER, Petrus Coenraad (Pretoria)—Deacon—by Reed C. Snow, April 22, 1956.

HARVEY, William Norman Charles (Pretoria)—Priest—by Alfred A. Paxman, April 22, 1956.

MATTHEWS, Frederick Richard Claude (Ramah)—Priest—by Norman G. Muir, March 4, 1956.

OXLEE, Edwin Gerard (Ramah)—Priest—by Ronald B. Clark, March 18, 1956.

NORBURY, Clarence (Ramah)—Deacon—by Wallace M. Saling, March 25, 1956.

KROESEN, Colin Rutherford (Ramah)—Teacher—by Wilfred S. Wrench, April 29, 1956.

BUTT, Francis Graham (Mowbray)—Deacon—by Alwin Hubert, April 1, 1956.

BUTT, Alamein Desmond (Mowbray)—Deacon—by Sydney Newton, April 1, 1956.

BUTT, Neville Winston (Mowbray)—Deacon—by Martin Rayner, March 25, 1956.

DAUBNEY, John Stuart (Bloemfontein)—Deacon—by Norris T. Jackson, April 1, 1956.

GILBERSON, John Leslie Cameron (Out of Branch)—Teacher—by Gerald L. Henderson, March 28, 1956.

McPHAIL, Angus Robert (Durban)—Priest—by Ellis Ray Peterson, March 18, 1956.

MOLONEY, Thomas Ernest (Durban)—Priest—by Don W. Merrill, March 18, 1956.

FISHER, George Alexander (Durban)—Deacon—by Cornelius A. Smith, March 18, 1956.

FAGAN, Dale Lester (Durban)—Priest—by Richard Fagan, March 25, 1956.

WILLSON, Ray Gordon (Durban)—Priest—by Walter P. Randall, March 18, 1956.

PELSER, Hendrik Jacobus Martienus (Durban)—Deacon—by Henry J. Van Rooyen, March 18, 1956.

VAN COLLER, Charles Ivor Rex (Durban)—Deacon—by George A. Morrison, March 18, 1956.

ABBOTT, Francis Leslie (Durban)—Elder—by Leroy H. Duncan, March 25, 1956.

FOURIE, Trevor Francis (Bulawayo)—Teacher—by Richard Isaac, April 8, 1956.

BLESSINGS

PURVES, Paul Douglas (Durban)—Robert A. Taylor, April 15, 1956.

FANOE, Fiona Naomi (Springs)—Richard R. Olson, May 6, 1956.

BIBB, Susan Patricia (Pretoria)—Reed C. Snow, May 6, 1956.

MARRIAGES

LANGMAN, Joy Kathleen (Ramah)—married Albertus Xavier Botha, February 22, 1956.

GOW, Gill Noreen (Ramah)—married Don Roy Ninow, April 28, 1956.

BIRTHS

BIBB, Susan Patricia (Pretoria)—born March 12, 1956.

BISHOP, Marion Lynette (Mowbray)—born November 4, 1956.

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

BLOEMFONTEIN BRANCH

Branch President: Sydney J. Spear,
154 Waverley Road, Bloemfontein, O.F.S.

Reported by Sister Johanna Utermöhlen

A successful jumble sale was held at the home of Sister Inez Spear. We had Robert Milne and John Scheltema with us again this month for a brief period while they were serving their annual military duty.

All is well here in the Branch.

BENONI BRANCH

Branch President: Elder Gene B. Welling,
19a, 8th Avenue, Northmead, Benoni, Transvaal.

Reported by Sister Ann Coetzee

Our Branch has once again increased in numbers and this time we welcome into our midst Sister Hewitt, who was recently baptized at Ramah.

We are happy to report that M.I.A. was held for the first time on the 3rd of May. We have had good attendance each time and the general enthusiasm seems to be high. We are looking forward to having some profitable and enjoyable times at these gatherings in the future. Relief Society also commenced in Boksburg this month.

The Primary, under Sister Charlton's supervision, put on a lovely programme at our evening service. We also enjoyed the special programme in honour of Mother's Day.

We are sorry to report that Sister Adendorff is in the hospital recovering from an operation.

PORT ELIZABETH BRANCH

Branch President: Clarence Doller,
63 Heugh Road, Walmer, Port Elizabeth, C.P.

Reported by Sister Madge McHugh

A combined bazaar and braaivleis sponsored by the Relief Society and Priesthood was held on the chapel grounds. The money raised was in aid of the Building Fund.

We welcome Sister Woudberg from Pretoria, who has come to live here.

Brother and Sister Everton had an unfortunate accident last Sunday, in which their car overturned. We hope that Sister Everton will soon be feeling well again. We are thankful the accident was not serious.

PRETORIA BRANCH

Branch President: Lionel Bibb,
282 Preller Street, Muckleneuk, Pretoria,
Transvaal.

Reported by Sister Sheila Bibb

We extend our congratulations to Brothers Brotherton, Harvey and Faber who have been advanced in the Priesthood. We are sorry to report that Elder Ockey is still in the hospital. We hope to see him at our meetings in the near future.

We welcome Brother Sidney Newton of Cape Town, who at present is training for the Army in Pretoria. We enjoyed hearing from him at Sacrament Service on the 20th.

Our meeting place has been beautified by a new pulpit kindly donated by Brother Faber

An enjoyable programme was presented by the Sunday School on May 13th in honour of Mother's Day.

The Relief Society Sisters held a successful cake sale on May 17th.

BELLVILLE BRANCH

Branch President: Nicholas J. Goosen,
57 van Niekerk Street, Bellville, C.P

Reported by Sister Mary Dean

All the saints unite in welcoming the Jakins family back from their four weeks' holiday.

During the Fast and Testimonial meeting on May 6th Brother James Prins was set apart as Branch Clerk and Sister Mary Dean was set apart as Second Counsellor of the Relief Society

The Branch held its first Fireside on May 20th. A Biblical quiz was held and Elder Erickson acted as Quiz Master while Elder Fredrickson kept score. The hour was well spent and very successful. We were pleased to welcome Brother and Sister van Rhyn and Sister L. Bibb who were in attendance.

We are pleased to report that the Pearcy family have all recovered from their illnesses

RAMAH BRANCH

Branch President: Wilford S. Wrench,
31, 18th Street, Parkhurst, Johannesburg,
Transvaal

Reported by Sister Noreen Kroesen

A Carnival Dance was held at the Kensington Hall on the 24th April in aid of the Building Fund. Lovely prizes were won at various game stalls, and parfaits, hamburgers, cakes and other snacks were sold. The highlights of the evening were the floor show presented by Sisters Signe Smith and Nola Matthews and a singing quartette, plus the balloon dance, when everyone participated in popping each other's balloons The dance was both socially and financially a great success.

Sister Joyce Morison gave a lovely party for her daughter Isabel on the occasion of her 21st birthday. Many of the members attended and had a most enjoyable evening.

The Melchizedek Priesthood Social held on the 6th April proved to be a most entertaining evening. Some interesting films were shown and we were favoured with songs by Sister Nola Matthews, Jean Sutherland, and Brother Ron Clark, as well as a piano solo by Mr Ted Fountain.

The evening programme on the 1st April was under the direction of the M.I.A. The theme was "Out of the Darkness into the Light." This was a meeting outstanding for its beauty and spirituality. Sister Kitty Smith arranged the programme and between speakers her well chosen solos added to the spirit of the service A memorable service

We are very happy to announce the marriages of Sister Joy Smith to Mr. Al Botha and Sister Jill Gow to Brother Don Ninow. We extend our warmest wishes to them and hope they have a lifetime of joy and happiness.

We have received word that Sister Doreen Rostrun, who married Elder Robert Thompson, gave birth to a baby boy on April 7.

LUANSHYA BRANCH

Branch President: Douglas E. Charsley,
121 "F" Avenue, Luanshya, Northern Rhodesia.

Reported by Sister Jeanne Charsley.

During the past month almost every family in the Branch has had one or two members on the sicklist. We are glad that they are all on the way to recovery.

It is with regret that we learn Brother Reg. Campbell was injured in a motor car accident in Pretoria. We hope that he will soon be well.

Our congratulations go to Sister Ria Fourie on being chosen the Sports Beauty Queen for this year.

SPRINGS BRANCH

Branch President: H. de C. Hugo,
151 Athlone Avenue, Strubenvale, Springs, Transvaal.

Reported by Brother N. C. van Niekerk.

We are pleased to report that Springs Branch continues to make its reputation glow with success. Recently M.I.A. held a very successful social night in the recreation hall. On the 29th of April, the Sunday School Superintendent delivered a most impressive address on the importance of spiritual unity in the Church.

Sunday, 15th May, our Branch once again celebrated Mother's Day with such solemn reverence that no spiritually inclined person could possibly fail to observe the divine instigation behind this sacred day in commemoration of the mothers of men.

It was also the 127th Anniversary of the Restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood. The junior members of the Priesthood are to be congratulated on the mature manner in which they put over a very impressive and inspiring programme. With Brother Dug Hulbert playing the accompaniment the male choir rendered two very melodious songs. The youth in the Priesthood proved conclusively that they are quite capable of taking over the functions of the more mature members, should the occasion arise.

We are indeed happy to welcome into our midst Sister Els and her son who have entered the waters of baptism and wish them every joy in their newly realized blessing.

District Conference, which was held on the 15th of April, was once again a most successful event in the history of the Transvaal District. At both the morning and afternoon sessions the hall was packed to overflowing with members and investigators from all parts of the Mission. Space will not permit us to mention each participant on this momentous event but we wish to express to each and every one our gratitude in helping to make this occasion such a splendid success. A special word of appreciation must go to Sister Duncan, Relief Society President, and her worthy colleagues who so vividly portrayed the lives of some of the Church's early women leaders. We were most happy to enjoy the association of our beloved Mission President and his good wife.

WELKOM BRANCH

Branch President: Elder Farrell Ray Monson,
39 Montague Street, Bedelia, Welkom, O.F.S.

Reported by Sister May Dell.

The members of the Welkom Branch were very happy to meet with President and Sister Duncan when they passed through on their return to Cape Town after having attended the Transvaal Conference.

On the evening of the twelfth of May, the Mothers of the Branch were royally entertained at the home of Brother and Sister Campbell. A surprise supper was cooked and served by the fathers, assisted by our two missionaries, Elder David Boucher and Elder Farrell Monson. Each mother was presented with a box of chocolates and in the evening a visit was made to the cinema.

The Mother's Day programme was enjoyed by all. Elder Boucher gave an excellent talk. Flowers were presented to all the mothers present.

The Sacrament service on the same day was in the hands of the Aaronic Priesthood, who also capably favoured us with the singing.

Our congratulations go to Brother Bobby Wilson who has received the Aaronic Priesthood Award for 100 per cent. attendance to his Sacrament and Priesthood meetings during the year 1955.

BULAWAYO BRANCH

Branch President: Elder Koven Lamont Hadfield,
20 Kings Avenue, Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia.

Reported by Sister Elizabeth Palmer Jones.

We report with regret the illness of Sister Cecilia Jubber She has been in the hospital for several weeks and has undergone two major operations. Although still very weak, Sister Jubber is making slow progress and continues to keep her pleasant spirit. We all wish her God's richest blessings and a speedy recovery.

We are happy to have Sister Isaacs with us again. Due to illness she was taken to the hospital, but since has been released.

MOWBRAY BRANCH

Branch President: Alwin Hubert,
129 Beach Road, Mouille Point, Cape.

Reported by Sister Beatrice E. Smith.

We had real conference weather on 29th April, when we held our Branch conference. Sister Nora C. Duncan was the chief speaker at the morning session, and those of us who listened to her beautiful talk on "Humility in the Home" were indeed privileged. There were two musical items, one from the Junior Sunday School and one from the Junior Gleaners Choir. A poem by Sister Margaret Dyason and a talk by Neville Cramer completed the morning's programme.

The highlight of the concluding session was the presentation of individual awards to the Junior Gleaners who had earned them. We all felt proud of those lasses as they went forward to receive the certificates from our Branch President. We offer a special congratulation to Sister Odessa Geldenhuys who won the M.I.A pin.

The theme of the Conference was "HUMILITY" and the talks given by Brother Alwin Hubert and President Leroy Duncan left us no doubt of the important part this virtue assumes in living the Gospel.

Sister Lillian Heyne has been in the Groot Schuur Hospital, where she has undergone an operation. We pray that she may very speedily be restored to good health.

There is a service that we all look forward to and that is the Primary programme. Primary evening was on 6th May. Sister Renee Hubert was the commentator. Each little play was well organized. The children had been well-trained by their teachers and Primary Mother, Sister Veronica Dallender. With such grounding in the principles of the Gospel, they should all grow into model Latter-day Saints.

Sunday, May 13th, a beautiful Mother's Day programme was put on by the Sunday School. Talks by Sisters Nora and Elna Duncan and Brother Bob Smith expressed all the beautiful thoughts that were within our hearts. That evening the Sacrament Service commemorated the Restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood. The talks by the young lads and by Sister May Rayner served to remind us how many blessings we enjoy through the Priesthood. Brother Alwin Hubert presented the Certificates of Merit to those members of the Aaronic Priesthood Class who had earned them. A special award was made to the Branch because of the achievement of ninety-one per cent in all requirements. We congratulate Rulon Duncan who achieved one hundred per cent in all of his requirements.

The members of the Branch offer their deepest sympathy to the family of Sister Agnes Holliday, who died during the month.

Sister Elizabeth Neale had a birthday on the 19th, and members of the Relief Society and the Junior Girls' class in M.I.A. paid this dear old lady a special visit. Favourite hymns were sung there in the hospital ward and then birthday cake was passed around among the patients. We wish Sister Neale many more happy days

DURBAN BRANCH

Branch President: Brother Melverton Jakins. P.O. Box 3, Montclair, Durban, Natal.

Reported by Sister Joyce Wahlburn

Sister Wiblin is to be congratulated on the excellent Primary Programme which was presented on the 6th May. The spiritual influence the Primary has in the lives of our young children was demonstrated by this programme

On the 13th May the Aaronic Priesthood presented a very inspiring service in commemoration of the anniversary of the Restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood.

We are very glad to have Brother and Sister McPhail and Bruce back with us again after their annual holiday

The Building Fund sponsored two functions in May: a Cake Sale and a Talent Night. Both were fairly successful

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the gifts of £15 from the Springs Relief Society and £20 from the members of the Bloemfontein Branch. The latter was presented to us by Brother and Sister Milne during their visit here

The 24th June will be a memorable day for the members of our branch. On that day we will hold the first service in our *new chapel*. Our hearts are filled with happy anticipation and a deep thankfulness at this prospect. We invite all members throughout the mission if possible, to meet with us on this day.

PIETERMARITZBURG BRANCH

Branch President: Elder Franklin A. Badger, c/o Y.M.C.A., Box 29, Pietermaritzburg, Natal

Reported by Sister Joyce Morrissey.

This past month there has been a lot of activity in the branch.

On the 4th of May the Relief Society held a braaivleis to raise money for the Building Fund

A lovely Mother's Day programme was held on the 13th of May. That evening the sacrament service was under the direction of the Priesthood. The brethren sang two beautiful songs and gave inspiring talks.

Brother George Morrison from Durban has moved to Pietermaritzburg. We hope that he will be happy here.

On the 31st, Brother and Sister Randall and family and Brother and Sister McLellin came up from Durban and spent the day with us in the country.

We congratulate the Durban saints for their unceasing efforts towards the completion of their chapel.

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defer not to pay it: for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay." I knew my Heavenly Father was displeased with me and each cigarette I smoked thereafter became, so to speak, a "coffin nail," but I was too weak to give it up

The missionaries were deeply concerned with me and offered all the counsel and advice they could give. They taught me the principle of Fasting, and promised me if I would fast and make an earnest effort to quit, God would help me. This was the first important obstacle to overcome and I needed help greater than

that which any human being could give; I needed the help of our Father in Heaven. To-day I am thankful for the strength that my Heavenly Father gave me during those days of anguish.

I overcame the smoking habit, gained a testimony of the Gospel, and on the 12th of July 1955, my 20 year old daughter, Isabel and I were baptised at the chapel in Johannesburg.

Today I am a happy woman. I have a comfortable home, a husband and family to whom I am devoted. I am thankful for the missionaries who brought the Gospel to my life. I know that "Mormonism" is the God-given plan for a well-balanced life, full of development and divine happiness, and my advice to all who are members of God's Church is to place our Father in Heaven before all things and never compromise with the principles of the Gospel.

Live the life that our Church teaches and the hearts of those about us will be touched. If called upon to do so, we should be willing to give up all we have for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our Saviour has said: "If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple." Luke 14 : 26.

THE LORD'S JOB

The Lord one day had a job for me,
But I had so much to do;
So I said, "Please Lord, get somebody else,
Or, "Wait till I get through."
I don't know how the Lord came out,
But He seemed to get along;
But I felt a kind of sneaking like,
And knowed I'd done Him wrong.

One day I needed the Lord myself,
Needed Him right away;
But He never answered me at all—
But yet I could hear Him say,
Away down in my accusing heart,
"I've got so much to do—
You get somebody else this time,
Or wait till I get through."

Now when the Lord has a job for me,
I never try to shrink;
I drop whatever I have on hand,
And do the good Lord's work.
And my affairs can run along,
Or wait till I get through;
For nobody else can do the job
That the Lord marked out for you.

—Paul L. Dunbar.

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